## CITY OF MONROE, MICHIGAN DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY - COVID-19

WHEREAS, the Michigan Emergency Act, Public Act 390 of 1976 (MCL 30.401, et. seq.) authorizes the Declaration of a State of Emergency by the City of Monroe, Michigan (the "City"); and

WHEREAS, Chapter 52 – Emergency Preparedness of the Code of the City of Monroe authorizes the Mayor of the City to declare a State of Emergency in the event of occurrence or imminent threat of epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the spread of COVID-19 through our world, our country, and our state continues; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States of America has declared a State of Emergency relating to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Michigan has declared a State of Emergency relating to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the first case of COVID-19 in Monroe County was announced by the State of Michigan on March 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is highly contagious and easily spread; and

WHEREAS, it appears likely that COVID-19 is capable of being spread by individuals without any observable symptoms; and

WHEREAS, there is presently no cure for COVID-19 at this time and treatment and/or cures are expected to take time to develop; and

WHEREAS, the mortality rate of individuals infected with COVID-19 is significantly higher than that of the seasonal flu; and

WHEREAS, social distancing and personal measures such as handwashing and disinfecting are the known means to mitigate the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monroe, Michigan must continue to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens and businesses through its essential functions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED, that a State of Emergency relating to COVID-19 exists within the City of Monroe, Michigan effective March 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Robert E. Clark, Mayor

I, Michelle J. LaVoy, Clerk-Treasurer of the City of Monroe, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing Declaration of State of Emergency – COVID 19 is a true and accurate copy as declared by Mayor Robert E. Clark for the City of Monroe, Michigan effective March 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.	
	Michelle J. LaVoy, Clerk-Treasurer
	Date Certified: